

CLAIMS

1. A personnel escape tool for breaking glass or other barrier screen material, comprising a striking tip of pointed form, a head supporting the striking tip, a handle to grip the tool, and a chisel-shaped, flattened end part, at least the head of the tool being made of steel or of a material of like mass.
2. A tool according to Claim 1, made predominantly of steel or of a material of like mass.
3. A tool according to Claim 1, wherein the chisel-shaped flattened end part is located at the end of the handle remote from the head.
4. A tool according to Claim 1, including means on or in the region of the head formed to enable removal of broken glass pieces.
5. A tool according to Claim 4, wherein said means comprises a formation consisting of a plurality of protrusions spaced apart by a ridge.

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6. A tool according to Claim 5, wherein the formation is provided on an underside of the head of the tool between the striking tip and the handle.
7. A tool according to Claim 5, wherein the formation comprises a row of three nodules raised from the under surface of the head and spaced apart by a pair of raised edges or ridges each forming a knife edge.
8. A tool according to Claim 1, wherein the handle comprises a ridged formation for gripping the tool.
9. A tool according to Claim 1, having an acid-dipped surface finish.
10. A tool according to Claim 1, including an aperture through the handle at a position remote from the head, to receive a lanyard or wrist strap.